GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
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TELECOM CIRCLES IN HARYANA
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the telecom circles in Haryana as on December 31, 1999;

(b) whether there is shortage of employees in these circles;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to fill up the vacant posts? **********

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (Shri TAPAN SIKDAR)
(a) There is only one Telecom Circle in Haryana as on December 31, 1999.
(b) Yes, Sir.
(c) There is general shortage of staff in technical cadres due to ban on recruitment in Group C & D cadres except Junior Telecom Officers (JTOs). For JTOs, no direct recruitment has been made after 1996 because of revision in recruitment rules necessitated due to fifth Pay Commission recommendations.
(d) Haryana Telecom Circle has been permitted for direct recruitment in the cadre of Telecom Technical Assistants (TTAs) and Drivers. Recruitment Rules for JTOs have been revised based on the recommendations of fifth Central Pay Commission with upward revision in the pay scale and enhanced entry qualifications. UPSC is taking action for recruitment of JTOs since it has now become gazetted Group B cadre.